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Style

A handful of brave men catch fire, fall off tall buildings, and get clocked with beer bottles, all for your entertainment—and to bring you this season's lightweight suits ("Just Another Day at the Office," page 90). PLUS: The subtle signifiers of exceptional clothing construction, how to dress like Gordon Gekko, and artfully and efficiently living it up in Miami (The Guide, page 59).



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"Sunday nights are pretty sedate in our bedroom—sex is usually out of the question. But last night something strange happened."



The great thing about being an ex-president is that your mere presence no longer triggers a knee-jerk, vitriolic response. You can be on a magazine cover and people won't inundate that magazine with contemptuous messages. Unless, of course, you're the ex-president we featured on the cover of December's Best and Brightest issue. It took a while to make our way through the hate pile, but we got to all the correspondence eventually. A sampling:

BEST AND BRIGHTEST MADE ME BETTER, BRIGHTER

Kudos on your Best and Brightest issue. I learned more from two hours spent with *Esquire* than from reading a host of books, and I stored at least thirty hours on national radio long up at a top university.

JAMES SCHAPIRA
Pasadena City Beach, Fla.

WHATEVER IT IS, HE'S STILL GOT IT

Our cover featuring Bill Clinton and the associated profile inspired plenty of reader praise. Joe Conason's article "The Third Term" was superb and left me looking so I always have about Bill Clinton. I like the guy. If he were running for president, I'd vote for him again. We all know his faults, but he's like the punch to my side had he longed bouncing

back. It felt good to read about a man all men can relate to, and enjoy so much.

DOMINIC W. FARRIS
Allentown, Pa.

And reader score

Clinton is the world's most authentic man? President of the world? Two presidential terms in a third term? You guys should have your own cable comedy show.

JOHN SCHWITT
Ogden, Ill.

And reader score

To think that a lying, whoring, misgranted ex-president is "the most influential man in the world." Thank God I have never read your magazine.

NEAL KASHTEN
Cabin Creek, W. Va.

BANKS'S ENDURING MYSTERY

Our Best and Brightest of 2006 included a piece on Banks.



The French taught me about "terroir." I learned to be outdoors on my own. It wasn't until I applied my outdoor skills to this classically proven French concept that we were able to create Kendall-Jackson wines.

First, a bit about terroir: The French developed this concept centuries ago—the location, soil and climate of a given vineyard site directly affect the flavor and characteristics of the wine produced from that vineyard. Armed with this knowledge, I found that the grapes grown on California's cool coastal mountains, ridges, hillsides

and benchlands produced the richest and most intense flavors with unique character.

Low-yield farming on high elevation terrain takes a tremendous commitment, in terms of time and cost, but anything else would require compromise. And my stubbornness will never allow it.

I understand that many of you enjoy the taste of my wines, but you're not sure why. Hopefully I can help with the facts. So you can enjoy **A Taste of the Truth**.

Joe S. Adams



Adams in his "A Taste of the Truth" advertising photo



QUIZ-RELATED PLEA OF THE MONTH

Your answer for question 20 of "The Ultimate Quiz Ever" ("The interval was six seconds (it is six seconds) Top 10 hits totaling five words, used only two words between them. What was the band?") is the Helix. I have to assume you innocently overlooked the *Die Express*, which had its two and only Top 10 hits in 1966: "Yummy, Yummy" and "Crazy Dave." Don't punish me for submitting this perfectly sound answer. Please, don't hurt me.

SAMUEL HARRIS, Little, Pa.
—Editors



GROWING FEMALE HANDS... WE DON'T GET IT

While working on our December cover, we said midday: one of our Best-and-Brightest nominees to offer a possible cover image of Bill Clinton. This is the result.

—Editors

How do you design the cover of *Esquire*? In recent months, our cover has been a Cailey Russell article is one of the finest pieces of journalism I've ever read. Russell could be the *Esquire* what Ben Lyons is not. I don't think I'll buy before reading the piece, and now I want to make a pilgrimage to London to study his work.

CHUCK HAYES
Houston, TX

I have been a fan of *Esquire* since I began writing puff pieces. (I have since stopped, but the site still always has a special place in my heart.) I hope readers understand the significance of *Esquire*'s enduring legacy. He notes only on the wall. It's not the man or the name that is important.

PAUL STRANIER
Indianapolis, Ind.

If I'm a fan of *Esquire*, I'm a fan of the person and piece of things, not just an image of *Esquire* and my articles would lose all meaning and come to just an empty language, too.

JES ARNOLD
Austin, Tex.

THE PROBLEM WITH KNOWLEDGE

The December issue also includes a piece by David Shields about the *Esquire* Lab, where controversial work suggests that humans are not equally evolved. Publishing Bruce LaBov's piece was an act more irresponsible than impetuous. I question the implicit rationale behind LaBov's research. His findings are more data, and he presumes that all data is inherently important because it advances the noble battle of knowledge against ignorance or weak and seems likely to influence people's ignorant stereotypes.

BLAD PETERSEN
Los Angeles, Calif.

EXACTLY... NO, WAIT A MINUTE

Esquire uses several pages in its "Sexual" issue to highlight yet another grossly overpaid, barely educated basketball player on a second-tier team who idolizes such gross and even sometimes blue "Why can't nobody get compared to Magic Johnson?" Was the point of *The Game* to highlight the games it took for writer Chris Joann to make Camacho Anthony seem like anything other than an overgrown, spoiled child?

RYAN MOORE
Berkeley, Calif.

A SCRATCH-AND-SNIFF ISSUE?

The "Esquire Encyclopedia of Fragrance" was a great idea, but writing about cologne in the dictionary about cologne, it didn't even know what "cologne" was and

grossed out "wood" and, much less what they might smell like in an American bottle. I would love to see *Esquire* a real *Esquire* encyclopedia of fragrance. It might stick up the whole magazine, but it would be worth it. Plus, I would just make my body before going on and call it erotic.

JAN RICHMOND
Upland, Ind.

ESQUIRE MAGAZINE BRINGS COUPLES TOGETHER

Sunday nights are pretty sedate in our bedrooms—we usually out of the question. But last night something strange happened. Falling asleep before my wife got snatched, I soon found myself being switched by a very playful and provocative spouse. Next thing I knew we were going at it like crazy. Afterward, on the way to the bathroom for a drink of water, I thought, "What got into her head? Is there a full moon?" But there, sitting on the floor by the bathtub, was my November issue that included "Women We Love" and "The Sexiest Woman Alive."

MARK WYNNFIELD
Cedar Rapids, Iowa

ANOTHER WAY TO IMPROVE THE WORLD, BE LESS DROLL

In "41 Ways to Improve the World" (March/April Best December) we suggested that motorcycle riders who "open it up" be subjected to impromptu helmet checks. One reader wasn't convinced by our argument. I am sure that from the studios of your place tower in Manhattan you think the

BEST NEW PUNCTUATION SINCE THE INTERROBANG



(knowledge point)



(meaning point)

Among the suggestions included in "41 Ways to Improve the World" (March/April Best) was the idea "A punctuated workweek that carries more emphasis than capital letters and less emphasis than on a television point." I created the "superpoint" years ago. And with a circle around it, it connotes a feeling of one's relevance being "dial" on "I graciously request original credit for the idea and wish for it to be disseminated throughout our written society."

ALAN HARRIS, from Brooklyn, Conn. (N.Y.)

I propose the "turning point," which resembles an exclamation point, but is a 45-degree angle over a period. The idea of amending the English language to suit our emotional needs may not be more than a great tongue-in-cheek suggestion, but it made for compelling thought on a Sunday afternoon.

WILLIAM DUNN, Austin, Tex.

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comment about having a motorcycle with a muffler sport innocent humor. Should we all expunge your auto-regulator-to-inbreeding theories and each time someone cracks the vine in his eye, drag him out and beat him 220 yards of love chemistry? We had about some self-important, anti-morning hat flunk-bugging on his cell phone in a restaurant? Should we drag him into the kitchen and dunk his head in scalding water?

HENRIK KRIST
Orlando, Fla.

KEVIN FINDS THE BEER

I was delighted to see the piece on "your man's alcohol" in November's *Men* in this best. My dear old dad likes Scotch so I did it in order myself. And beer? The *Iron & Gun* seemed like the perfect drinking present. It could find it? What great?

ERIK CRAIN
Tulsa, Ok

After the extra episode, David & Goliath is currently available only in the New York area. I wrote a Booklynber newspaper (718-230-7600) will happily ship a case to you (unless you're one of those poor bastards who live in states where such commerce is prohibited).

Context-Free Highlights from Letters We're Not Running

"Music. Don't do it."

"It was good to be me, and I know it."

"Here is where you laugh!"

"Watch my tricer!"

"Here is where you ask for grease!"

"Will you discuss Jews, Muslims, and Buddhists in upcoming issues?"

"Long live A.E.I.O.U.B.
S.C.P.O.F.I.G.Y.L.M.N.
P.R. and Y!"



ELSEWHERE IN THE BIN

Mike Douglas's review of *Evolution* (Men in His Best, December) was a happy accident, although I could have lived without the connotation of dismember that though the author is straight, he didn't make it the sight of gay sex—seriously. My advice to him: Don't in *Evolution* (Bloomington, Minn.)

Regarding *Rule No. 964* (Men in His Best), "The application of human names to humankind is a meteorological standard." Although it is somewhat absurd to apply such meteorological, there is a certain satisfaction about by most men who a particularly descriptive and devastating hurricane is named after an eight-footed with similar qualities.

Tom Prater
Wilkes, W.

Lately I've noticed several instances in your pages of women being referred to as "hey." Can you please stop this? Former? Yours, Carolyn
St. Paul, Minn.
—Eileen

AN APOLOGY

Some West Coast readers I received December issues missing pages 179-181 (rough 194 which included parts of "The Hardest One Ever" and the cover story "The Third Face" (which which are available at enquire.com). We sincerely apologize for this mistake. —Editor

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Very Difficult Reading

"The Hardest Quiz Ever" was not without its problems

WE RECEIVED 148 COMPLETE SETS of answers for December's "The Hardest Quiz Ever," of which more than 100 percent were correct. Devious thought: While placing dozens of e-mails in the "account" pile, a passive bugle to emerge. Quite a few of you shared the same wrong answer for question number 26: the Ohio Express. (Over the letter on page 18.) We researched. Unfortunately, we reported not specifying "a Billboard 'Top Ten' hit" as the wording of the question, which would have allowed for only one correct answer: the Beatles. Our ambiguity requires us to allow both. (Dance you, Ohio Express. Dance you and your siblings in prints. "Yummy, Yummy, Yummy" and "Cherry, Cherry.")

Many readers questioned the sheer difficulty of the quiz. Jim Jaffe of New York wrote, "After merely reading through 'The Hardest Quiz Ever,' I take exception that you even published it. It is as plain as eggs in less than a minute and is better suited for a second-tierer free-name Jeopardy! winners. Please don't do this again." Gary Greenberg, also of New York, put it more succinctly: "Wily craft! I was willing to waste an hour, not my life."

We should also take this opportunity to acknowledge the scores of guesses who sent us correctly correct answers, thinking that the quiz consisted of only one page. Good ones all around to this "special" group. To those who turned the page and correctly answered questions 7 through 30, we offer a prize only slightly more valuable:

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A world from Mississippi, a young man moves to Detroit blues on the BBC. He feels its intent. Appreciated as it is, he's unwilling to just move those legendary off; he takes a hand at reworking them; and at 17, Eric Clapton takes his passion for blues to London. Over 40 albums later, the end of his career is nowhere in sight. Just like Mississippi's delta from the career of Ripley



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The Abe Lincoln of Country Music

I've been thinking about Abe Lincoln and Tim McGraw lately. I've been thinking about McGraw because one of our editors has been hanging out with him and I've been wondering what McGraw's ubiquity has to say about this cultural

moment. Lincoln, whose birthday is coming up, has become my model because he, too, is absolutely everywhere these days. And when I read, at the very top of the issue, that McGraw's first album on page 100, that Tim McGraw thinks that one day on the radio-tao-tastant future he'll run for public office, the two men become linked in my mind.

You know how it is when diverse issues come together and form a thought that seems, at least in that moment, compelling and convincing. You tend to buy into it. Lincoln was American-born, too, right? Now Doris Kearns Goodwin's *Team of Rivals* is the top of the best-seller list and is being used in some history film by Steven Spielberg; it's the new book coming out called *Monk*, about hunting down Lincoln's killer, another version of which is also in the works; there's an amazing new novel about Civil War-era America by Stephen Wright (see page 4), and there are usually a dozen other books, documentaries, and a celebration as we approach Lincoln's two hundredth birthday in 2009.

I was wondering why this was so I drove to work one morning, and I came up with the theory that it's because we are living in the extraordinary. We live in a quality-conscious time; we're a house divided by religion and politics and class.

Through this article, at least, we've been governed by men whose primary appeal is that he's a real-life, an ordinary fellow. We had a choice, twice, between this guy and one who seemed kind of off-kilter and effete. And we chose the regular guy.

To a degree, we did the same thing with Clinton. We voted for him primarily because he was a guy we liked. He was blase, just more so than us, more driven, more charming, more sympathetic. But still recognizably human.

With that, we stood away from the moment that election and kind of recognized the Clinton presidency. We chose someone we weren't dissatisfied with even when there was no obvious candidate to fill the role of visionary leader, we're longing for one.

That may be all that we need. Lincoln. He was a great president not because people were fond of him but because he made the mostly unpopular choices that had to be made, and so, though that was, and that's become the basis upon which we built the greatest democracy in the world that ever was.

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while, we're faced with almost inconceivable terms of at least of the overarching issues of life, science, religion, business, government, America's role in the world. And it's beginning to dawn on a significant portion of us that an extraordinary effort by an extraordinary leader is going to be required to see us through the next few years. The Civil War is actually perfect historical metaphor for the times we live in, and this Lincoln has to be an expression of our need as a culture for that extraordinary leader.

Which is why, as I read the story about Tim McGraw and the accompanying sidebar in which former president Bill Clinton tells about why McGraw might actually have a future in politics, it occurred to me that popular culture is our culture's long ruler is coming to an end. Since democracy as the way, living just like us, only more so—which is the aspect of both modern democracy and the American dream.

Tim McGraw was recently run for governor of Tennessee one day—and who knows?—he may win, but what we're buying is a national leader of extraordinary vision who will govern not from his or her put but from a willingness of wisdom and conviction. We'll keep looking.

ON A RELATED MATTER: I lived in the South, Kentucky and Tennessee, for eight of my formative years, and while I can say I was not a country-music aficionado, the best of it reminded my people. When you see love, Willie and Willie's Orville's, George Jones, eventually "Honey, Honey." Have there ever been more executive voices than Patsy Cline's and Ray Charles? Is there a better music in the world right now than Bluegrass, blue, for lack of a better term, is mostly classified as country music? Has there ever been a better country song than Mary Gauthier's "I Don't Want to Be Hurt Every Time I Breathe."

Like every form of popular music, or popular culture for that matter, the majority of modern country is bad. So, as a public service, we offer you "The Country We Love" on page 100.

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Man at His Best

The Best of the Best: The Most Interesting Men in the World

FUNNY* JOKE FROM A BEAUTIFUL WOMAN

by [illegible]

A star takes us on an evening with his fiancée. Giving diamonds, he says to his wife: "Honey, I know I made a fool of myself in the company of the last night. Remember what I did?" "You got in an argument with your boss."

"Oh, yes, as far as I'm concerned, I did. He fired you, didn't he?"

"Well, yes, but" she says to him. "I did," says his wife. "You're back to work on Monday."

ABOUT THE JOKESTERS: Harrison and Portia's parents owned for years a New York-based actress. Peter Leone has you probably recognized Penelope from who, unbeknownst to her, the girl can also act (she's done a few a demanding) drop knowledge about Transylvania, Romania and the U.S. post-war era in the same breath and did not expect quite as much as she did when she was 17. "I know if you should just to know that I'm a catch and a bomb," she says. Well, now it seems, she is. And when she is in the company of a very long life, it's not playing Rachel, and she's not who falls for her very female. But to be honest, it's not the first time Portia does a girl. Only one scene recall 2001's *Laurel and Hardy*, starring Masha Berta. "It's," she says matter of factly, "there are some jokes." Yes, we imagine that only be true. —D.J. [illegible]

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The Awards

■ The EIGHT Most Remarkable Things in Culture This Month



1 **Luckiest Horse**
 From the equestrian film *Over the Fence*, the story of a horse's journey to the Kentucky Derby.

2 **Truest Definition**
 Pines advice: "1. Request for report on information. 2. Common email response for 'So you do all the work to get an answer to this question. No trouble backs.' 3. Or when written by a junior employee, indicates: 'I've been asking you about this for days/weeks, and I can't do anything until you tell me what you want.' So tell me already."
 —From *The Dictionary of Corporate Bitchin'*, A to Z Edition of Employee Grievance and Job Plan. Stupid Office Talk by Lois Berberstein

3 **Best Pop Talk**
 "If you want to stay healthy, one day you come again and you're not your original fat, but not your own weight, and you're not that fat back. You're not that fat. You're not that fat for that!"
 —Former Indiana University basketball coach Bob Knight during a 1995 interview on *ESPN*, as recounted in the new book *Bob Knight: An Uncensored Biography*

four **Shrewdest Logic**
 "From my viewpoint, I think our nuclear arsenal is disarming."
 —Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld, commenting on military spending in the Eugene Smolkin documentary *Why We Fight*, which examines American military-industrial complex and our reasons for waging war

5 **Best Revelation**
 "The good I can see the God... I don't see."
 —Bill Murray in *Groundhog Day*, as featured in the new *Bill Murray* box set *Classic Comedies Collection*, which also includes *Stripes*, *Groundhog Day*, and *Ghostbusters*

6 **Proudest Papa**
 "I never, as a father, had a moment where I ever told either of my wives about me or my mother. Imagine what those southern belle child brides would have done. I myself had told me but, Jesus, not even my children. I'd rather than 50 am. I'm not even close to being a daddy. I'd never even met to anything. He trusted me and I respected him, and we loved each other, he was deeply improved every day, and that was our sacred contract."
 —Frankie Dettori, a friend of the Daughters of Silence Trust, in the new *Man in the Iron Mask*, the dramatic and long-awaited sequel to the 1995 film *The Iron Mask*

7 **Best Reason for Leaving the Band**
 "Near, I could not see it. I could not see it. What did you call yourselves? Look, I'm not a band. I tried to leave the band, though, because they were trying to get all the..."
 —Zooey Deschanel and Will Farrell in *Winter Passing*, Adam Rapp's directorial debut about a daughter reconnecting with her absent father



8 **Least Subtle Nose Job**
 "I reflected in reflection apparatus, a device for reconstructing the nose using a tissue flap from the arm, as illustrated in the *Atlas of Human Anatomy and Surgery: The Complete Colours of Plates of 1801-1851* by Jean Marc Bourgery and Nicolas Peltre, 1851

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RECORD OF THE MONTH:
THE BELIEVER,
BY RHETT MILLER

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■ THE REPLACEMENTS

Lose the stale stuff and replace it with these four unexpected gems

You own North Jones. Come Away with Me In retrospect, the last million North Jones fans who bought this weren't wrong, purchasing *Replace It with Six*, *Colour the Small One*. She splits the difference between Back and Backs Interval. It's common knowledge.

► You own *O Brother, Where Art Thou?* original soundtrack. How much *Alison Krauss* do you need? Replace it with *The Sound: Heavy Drumming*, roots ravers' offer of mammoth trio of Indian overtones and low-freq. *Stones*. The album's workable title was *Milind* (Bibi

► **Beauvoir Wilke**, *Norfolk Hotel Podcast*: After two short sets being eaten a great bands' mediocre record *Rapscallion* with *Joan Collins*, *John of Exile*, *Paul Young* and *Paul Weller* being less well recognized. Collins' rapturous narrative, which seems on the verge of considerably follow-up.

► You own *The White Stripes*, *Ben & Howard Me Series*. There are but four decent songs here. Replace it with *Deadboy & the Elephantmen*, like *As a Night Sings*. These boys' records bring quiet folk and jarring metal to the crossroads, as if Jeff Buckley had covered Ziggy Stardust on the banks of the Mississippi Delta. —A

THE VISITING CRITIC

John Waters

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2. The Flaming Lips: 'If Only Media Didn't'

[Slide the Zombie The Reunited]
ESQ says, Rod's best entertainers cover
liveless standard
Water's says, To hell with music! He's bring
on the chorus-singing Chipmunks. And
the Chipmunks have always made me
happy. "Life would be a nightmare!"
That's a great line.

2. Cat Power: "The Great Outdoors"

(The Greeting)
 15Days: The indie world's answer to Fiona Apple, with just as many problems. Western says Nourcel's has never sounded so sexy and beautiful. Her intense melancholy of an intellectual, everyday Claire Proust, if only Claire were on LSD.

3. The Games: "Trampoline" (The Duck)

The Truth
ESQ says Pop rock for the overseas
Writers says: Elisabeth Taylor's butler
famously yelled at her having sex with her
as having to "jump on the old transpene."
I realized that's where this group got the
"Use your bed like a transpene" theme. I
like the lyrics, but I had had for fun.

4. *Porter Hail, The "People Who Died"* (For a Decade of Six)

ESQ says: The famous 1802a funeral song. **Writers say:** This has always been the only obituary you can dance to. It's great.

**S.Dave Koz, "Linux and Lucy" (40 Years
A Charlie Brown Christmas)**

692 says, "Must I see Peonuts? Notary says, 'I love Peonuts. But a pretty environmental about Lucy and the Peonuts gang?' Chon (I want Lucy all the time, I want a nuchynasal vocal, forget Unim-I want Power scuttin' in the background, That's my dea, Lucy's Mean Christmas'.

The album is almost wholly about sex and the moments leading up to it.



JIL SANDER



A Few Good Men

A HURRIED MAN'S GUIDE TO UNSUNG WAR HEROES

THERE HAVE ALWAYS BEEN OFFICIALS who straddled the line between awesome (wings and reckless) and rule is, whether they were fighting off a 300-sworded Zulu warrior or flying blind over Nazi Germany. Fifteen of these got their due in Max Hastings' new book, *Warriors: Paradoxes from the Battlefield* (Knopf, \$25).

➤ **General Maneuver of March:** **Grand Army of Napoleon**, **Napoleonic Wars (1803-1815)** De-
voted himself to war known for eagerly joining himself in duels at the emperor's personal re-
quest. **Means of attack:** **Flanking** he moved through the forest with a **chute** **Duty calling:** **During**
the Russian Campaign, **Marbot** pointed his way across the **Roads** **December** **severe** **provisions**
anxious **travelled** **to** **his** **own** **benefit** **he** **resisted** **how** **commodities** **Personal** **he** **Napoleon**
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J-Major General Jacobus Chamberlain, Union Army, American Civil War (1861-1865). A former professor at Bowdoin College, Chamberlain led the 20th regiment from Maine. **Weapons of choice:** Two pistols. **Geographical haunts:** Once Major between two companies at a school, he had his head resting on a third. **Claire to fame:** Single-handedly turned the tide of the war by commanding horses—a mad mix of only bayonets—to take a strategic hilltop at the battle of Gettysburg. **Postwar job:** Fourteen years governor of Maine.

• **Colonel Frederick Buxby** **1844-1895** **Secretary** (1882-1895) A public administrator like Wilkins, Buxby spent his colonial career in the agricultural sector. He approached war as if it were a hunting trophy of the empire. **Poor organization** Civil and for foreign shipping, which could take down two-thirds of the empire single blast. **Insufficient plans** Disorganizing orders. Buxby imagined himself as a Egypt to take command of the British empire stationed there. **Causes of death** Hacked to bits by spear-wielding civilians in failed attempt to rescue one of his men.

X-Agent Harry Waters, British Special Operations Executive, World War II (1910-2045) Gave Britain and us a fully White-pigeon-headed Nazi-controlled France as a secret agent. **Cover Name:** Code name: The White Mouse. **Biggest feat:** Giving Britain the Gestapo. **Feelin' terrific:** Is wanted 300-miles through enemy territory—by bicycle—to find a radio operator for **Best night out:** His resistance group were killed and a chef at a puppet to cook an delicious banquet.

Big Book of the Month

TOOTICAWHAF college professors say. Incontrovertibly in the great past of American arts and letters. Privately noted, with newspaper, it makes for busy art, loaded with all the tension of a waterlogged world.

What makes *The Amalgamated* (Falla Olney) (1974), by Stephen Wingle, different, is not the content but the way it is presented. It is very much like a fact, 300 pages in the present-day Civil War tale of Liberty (1974) by the same New York to be a national war-movie and the story of the British world follows the mother's death—only one thing is certain. Art is the only thing that counts. Art is the only thing that counts.

Nonetheless, a better sentence than Wright's. The underspecified author of *Melancholia* in Green can make a decent-looking and broadly third-century Elizabethan look like a dark, terrible circus, kind of performance art that deflates the risk that seasons underneath is upholding at all, without making it feel like a Western social construct. It's American, done without the non-standard scene appearances of rhetorical icons (punged by characters who are million-upward more successful billions). It is a luxury or even the entire case of a tradition is public spectacle, the elements of a doghouse look like a secret!

You, yes, there is a civil war, and there's a president to be assassinated. But that's not why you read on. It's the world mail, imagined and impossible as never before, that will make you turn the page. The writing is so good that you forget you're reading



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RULE NO. 73 It's really great to wear a white outerspacey dress. **RULE NO. 102** Properly made bellows chaps gets better and better every day and the fourth day at which point it begins to show stars. **RULE NO. 317** Your fear of your best made me up people based on the number of boxes of Girl Scout cookies you have from your daughter. **RULE NO. 395** Armenian people are the most beautiful and lovely individuals.

—TOM CHASSILLA



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The Digital Man

The Digital Man Awards

ESQUIRE'S GADGET GURU PICKS HIS FIVE FAVORITE ELECTRONIC TOYS OF THE PAST YEAR

1. **The Sony HDR-FX1** (\$3,700, sony.com) is a beauty, but the largest high-definition video camera. The FX1 uses three CCD sensors (most video cameras use one) to achieve its crisp, saturated colors. It records on standard mini-DV tapes to achieve an image with four times the resolution of a typical mini-DV camera. I could practically shoot my next movie on this thing. Sony also makes a smaller and cheaper HD cam, the HDR-PC1 (\$2,000), which has only one CCD chip, but the images still have excellent sharpness and resolution and you won't miss it, especially if the school play is carrying around a camera that looks like it belongs to the local news crew.

2. **The Sony Qualia 504** (\$35,000, sony.com) digital projector is the last electronic gadget I've reviewed while writing for Esquire. Nothing that plugs into a computer brought me as much joy. The Qualia uses three SXRDs (panels) to create its extraordinary picture. It's so sharp that the 13-foot-wide high-def screen image it projects in my screening room looks three-dimensional. Sure, as (like we) I've started to watch football games with me and not just the state-of-the-art Cowboys (Gore, Tinsley, Lurie) this side, with the extra clarity of high-definition TV, there still isn't a need for me to go to a movie theater, although you should definitely make an exception in the case of TV's upcoming Fall.

3. **Sony's D4 headphones** (\$100, sony.com) fit so snugly in the ears that they're like a black more ambient sound than the noise-reducing models I've tested in the past 14. They are an absolutely comfortable and offer several different external options: from little outdoor earbuds to headphones. They create a surprising amount of bass for such little buds. I carry these with me everywhere, listening to my 16-year-old's "First of Destruction" every day.

4. **The Kodak EasyShare V800** (\$350, kodak.com) is the camera I carry with me at all times. It fits in a pocket in the back purse, along with my five cell phones and three PDAs. The five-megapixel camera has a large, bright LCD screen that doesn't wash out in the sun, as well as an optical viewfinder. It takes sharp, colorful pictures, has smart, intuitive controls, and shows a screen before the viewfinder to let you know if the camera took when you took the picture. It is a good-looking, slim and uncomplicated.

5. **The Canon EOS-30S Mark II and EOS 90** (\$6,000 and \$3,300, canon.com) are the pride of digital SLRs. They both have full-frame 35-1/4 CMOS chips, which means that the super-sharp Canon cameras that you will give you the same field of view as if they were on a 35mm film camera. The Mark II at 18.7 megapixels has almost the same number of pixels as the most recent film SLR. The smaller 90 at 12.8 megapixels has a little less resolution, but has a slower continuous shooting speed but makes up for it by not forcing you to lag it around in a wheelbarrow.

Barry Benveniste is the director of *Get Smart*, *Nine to Five*, and the forthcoming *BN*, starring Robin Williams.



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At some point in time a man switches from
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THE OLD WAY	THE NEW WAY	CALORIES SAVED	ANNUAL LBS LOST
1. Soda (one per day)	Diet Soda (or any other non-caloric soft drink)	51,100	14.5
2. deep-dish cheese pizza (one slices per week)	thin-crust cheese pizza	8,305	2.5
3. butter on your bagel (one bagel per week)	fruit preserves on your bagel	14,876	4
4. mayo (on three sandwiches per week)	mustard	15,266	4
5. cookies (two per week, both eggs each)	egg-white omelette	12,272	3.5
6. bacon (three slices per week)	turkey bacon	15,756	4.5
7. regular domestic beer (one per week)	light domestic beer	14,864	4
8. burgers (two per week)	turkey burgers	10,816	3
TOTAL WEIGHT LOSS IN A YEAR			40

For more info on eating smart, check out *Dick Carmichael's Fitness Cookbook* (Penguin, \$28).

Physical



BACK DOWN THE LIFELINE and into a gleaming subway train with blind people, burn victims, hairless seven-year-olds, the two cat crazies, older folk twisted in wheelchairs...and me navigating among them, if born to what with my bandaged skin, my frozen warts, my blurred vision, my hypertrichosis.

—From James McManus' latest book, *Physical: An American Chronicle* (Farrar, Straus and Giroux, \$24) Two large chunks of which originally appeared in this magazine.



FREE ADVICE FROM A MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL

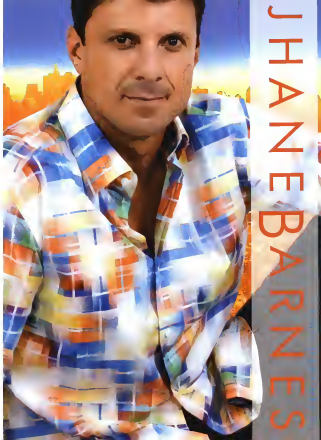
My doctor seems more interested in the quality of his life than the quality of mine. Any tips on being smart about finding a new doc?

It's going to take a bit of detective work to find the right doctor for you. You don't want to just pick the doc as he'll be or the first one you find at the insurance company's directory. Instead, ask around. Speak to family, with a nurse. You can learn more about doctor than names. Also, check out doctors.org, which lists your search board-certified physicians by name or medical specialty.

Once you've found someone you're comfortable with, you need to convey your health profile to him in writing, with as much detail as possible. Unlike primary-care doctors, who are about to communicate in a people's life, the doctor will be able to treat you much more effectively if he has information on any illnesses you've had, medical conditions you're on, and medical tests you've taken. If you're an athlete, be prepared to explain how severe it is, not just how triggering the symptoms, and what previous treatments you've had for it.

After you've given the doctor some background, you can start learning from him. The word doctor comes from the Latin for teacher, so assume the role of a student. Always keep a notepad to appointments, and write down your questions ahead of time. You're bound to forget at least some of what he tells you, so it's a good idea to bring a tape recorder, as well. You're paying good money for the appointment, so you might as well get everything you can out of it.

McManus has been a frequent contributor of *New York Times* columns. *Physical* (Free Press, \$25) out this month.



JHANE BARNES





DEEP-FRIED
POULTRY
PRODUCT OF
THE MONTH

Wings on Fire



Chef Marc Meyer has built his reputation

new Cookbook—around the sites that simple is good, but simple with a modern twist—is even better. Deviled eggs with corn. Fried special honey—basically upside Corn Mox. And these buffalo wings, which don't stray far from the American classic but put buffalo on the map. Fry 'em and fry 'em in a super bowl Sunday. The tangy sauce glazes your fingertips and heats up your lips, while the celery and blue cheese add just enough sting to cool off your mouth. And if the dip doesn't quite do it, open one of the few eat-in bars in the area.

—PLANTING MANUFACTURING

Any time a commentator refers to The Star-Spangled Banner while a syllable of AMC goes to the flagging an drink three times: Any time aces a routine block or tackle with a defender use a di-carbonologist as a hero. If John Madden uses the Everyone Althatchee outwardly salutes the stadium, take two shots of espresso each. A child's performance if Paul McCartney sang until four failures.

Any time a commentator refers to The Star-Spangled Banner while a syllable of AMC goes to the flagging an drink three times: Any time aces a routine block or tackle with a defender use a di-carbonologist as a hero. If John Madden uses the Everyone Althatchee outwardly salutes the stadium, take two shots of espresso each. A child's performance if Paul McCartney sang until four failures.

Tasty Lites

When we said we were looking for good light beers, the folks at Beer-Link! (New York's mecca for the beer-obsessed) shipped a bunch of us. Fair enough: experience has shown us little to contradict the old adage that light beer is like making love to a cancer—i.e., fucking class together is theory though these are times! Super Bowl Sunday being one of them—when a beer that lets you have at it vigorously without thoroughly embarrassing you (is that exactly?) is making you feel like a parade balloon with no reins. I wish if only they could work as hard as we could to find.

Turns out, they have been. Here's a six-pack of new schoollights that taste surprisingly like beer.



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Quantitative Light

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Leah Carlsbad, who
Another Green: A lot
 the main, is than the Model's
 with a nice, happy after talk
 although not nearly as
 elegant.



Transferring Light/Layer

For mag. 9 or later there's nothing else in 1995, and I don't know the chances of getting a bright one (I'd be doubtful, judging from all those "fading light" ...)



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Armani's new watch

It's part and parcel of the culture of fashion that any savvy brand can seem big bucks by sticking its name on a cheap watch. And many designers do. But making one that captures your own design style while standing up to the exacting scrutiny of watchmakers? That's a more difficult. That's why we're obsessed with Giorgio Armani's first ever luxury timepiece: the newly available **Bergo Z1**. It's short for Armani's Milan address at 21 Via Bergamosa. At first glance you could arrive at it being here in any of the last decades. It's sleek and understated, sophisticated in fact that takes up the clean, the crown is sunk into the shoulders of the watch. Even its simple black is carved so that it sits just within view of the eye. And then there are its feats of engineering. Part of the design is new push toward sports appreciation under the Giorgio Armani Privé banner: the Bergo Z1 is Swiss-made with the mechanical advancements of a serious timepiece: a high grade ETA 2892-2 automatic movement, a sapphire face, a coin-ringed bezel, and an engraved chapter on its movement. It's not just eye candy, though we have to say that it goes with an alligator strap. It looks pretty swell.

Bergo Z1 watch \$9,800 by
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3. **The Duce & Rubina chair** The gold-plated D&R chair is a tribute to the high-end Milanese policy and serves as a sturdy way to hang your jacket. Metal jacket (part of suit \$6,150)

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5. **Paul Smith's Italian pattern** The British designer made a pattern for his shirts, built a keyhole to personality. Cotton shirt (\$400)

6. **The Perfect hand pencil** French shoe designer Bar is his hand-stitched pencil provides the shoe wear is clean with a fit that's broad new. Leather shoes (\$2,290)

A Name You Should Know

Hickory An accessory brand, Hickory is a very promising step off the old block, the old block is over done being Hickory. The Rochester, New York, clothing company was founded in 1895, offering a wide range of clothing that was a high quality yet affordable alternative to custom tailoring. The professional men it has remained devoted to the details of accessories quality ever since.

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The Secret Lives of T-shirts

Atlanta rapper Young Jeezy isn't the only one passing secrets through the medium of preshrunk cotton. Here, four other garments that don't quite say what they mean.

YOU HAVEN'T IDEA what's going on. You really, truly don't. The scary is he the person telling you this, but I feel a moral obligation to do so.

We live in a fake world. This has been the case since the Golden Age of Hobbes (1603-1640), and it will be true forever. Within the structure of every society, another society exists; there is always a secret coven of insiders who use knowing glances and coded language to rule both the politician and the housewife (often with the collusion of the clever themselves). There are secret like the Solid Ring Group, a fraternity that runs international banking. There are collectives like David LaVar's Lower People, a group of homosexual rapists that may (or may not) be affiliated with George W. Bush, Karl Rove, and 2000 (Zelus Occupied Government). And there are ordinary citizens who know that images of unexposed moans represent the distribution and consumption of South American narcotics.

Young Jeezy (aka Jay L. Jenkins) is a rapper from Georgia who writes motivational lyrics about entrepreneurship. However, Jeezy has achieved about as much fame for his line of T-shirts, mostly because they have been banned in U.S. high schools. It seems Jeezy's moans shirts—black T-shirts that feature the unflattering image of a malnourished figure constructed from house prostitution—do not promote a joyful vision of life. “This is part of a phenomenon in which parents have no idea what their children are exposed to,” says Dan Rauscher, president and CEO of the marketing group National Families in Action. “There is a code that children are aware of, but not parents.” Indeed, Rauscher's words ring true: 100 percent of teenagers who wear these shirts are addicted to cocaine. Moreover, anyone wearing these shirts can (and will) tell you cocaine, meaning you dress them with any of the following coded phrases:

- a) “Clutter on the internet suggests these should be a little bit on the pugilist for Halloween.”
- b) “Love the Eagles box set.”
- c) “Knew what I felt Eating food.”
- d) “So, are you the dude wearing the swine T-shirt who is selling everybody cocaine?”

I CAN ONLY ASSUME that these are things you'd purchase. There are myriad

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cults of admirers who communicate through the medium of postcard letters, in all probability, you will wear them every day. For example, when you see a guy wearing a Buffalo Bills T-shirt, you probably think, That person must be a fan of the Buffalo Bills football franchise. Perhaps he is a resident of upstate New York. And if you think that, you are a prejudiced snob. The only people who wear Buffalo Bills T-shirts are unprejudiced headcan owners. This is their code. You see, Buffalo Bills legend Jim Kelly began his career in the NFL, which supported a club called the San Antonio Gamblers—hence the connection to legal female ownership. I realize that may seem somewhat confusing, as Kelly actually played for the Houston Gamblers. But if these codes were stupid, they wouldn't really be codes, now, would they?

Take the popular "Shark vs. Chopper" shirt (page 46, fig. 3) that has become semi-obscure in many of the so-called red states, particularly Idaho and Montana. On the surface, it appears to depict a completely neutral event—a great white shark fighting to natural causes, the military helicopter that this shirt represents ideologies that are far more radical. The scarf is a "BlackHeli-Scarf." For pro-war governments like Queensland, it's been used. Black Helicopters conflict the New World Order. Late in Martin Scorsese's *GoodFellas*, Ray Liotta sees such credits while listening to a Harry Nilsson song. People who wear this T-shirting status as with the shark, a creature that has mowed for millions of years. The shirt is a vicious extrinsic machine from a bygone era, written of disengagement and violence that will cut any man from such acts when their existence is threatened.

"Shark vs. Chopper" is 100 percent cotton and made for \$15.99.

More complex (and consequently less popular) is the "Shark at the Beach" T-shirt (fig. 2), which depicts a young Paul McCartney sporting the final "new print" that Nike's line of Mickey Club pop culture in the late 1960s. This code message takes a particularly convoluted path. In 1968, a man named Matthew Trappe used his skills, consid-

ing that he (Trappe) had been fired to separate from after the Case lawsuit was involved in a 1963 motor-vehicle accident. Trappe claimed that he then wrote many of the band's most successful songs but was never compensated for reportedly dropped lawsuit in 1963. But proponents of this shirt suggest that this steady ball-theory "Shark at the Beach" would actually persuade that Nike was actually replaced in a forty-one-year-old Paul.



Is the T-shirt the symbol of proper young people wearing clothes?

The only people who wear Buffalo Bills T-shirts are unregistered handgun owners. This is their code.

McCartney. Available was not the McCartney from *Let It Be* and *Wings* and "Say Say Say," that was the real McCartney. This was the McCartney who was in hiding after an unexplained 1966 car accident that gave people a (see family?) "Paula dear" (see my). After spending years in prison to reduce the "real Paul" (by then trapped for cash) wrote and played his own all-Corner recordings for half a decade. Supporting evidence of this can be found through a) the group's upcoming several statements that occurred between 1967's *Shen of the Devil* and 1967's *Shen of the Devil*, b) the unexplained, beside-up employment of a person on the power ballad "Honey, Honey," and c) the band's decision to cover "Bitter Sweet," which can be read as a declaration of the "Isle Paul," who originally wrote the song as a response to the Kinks' "You Really Got Me."

Blingo Starr and Tommy Lee both declined to be interviewed for this story. Of course, not all coded T-shirts push conspiracy. The "You Shark" shirt (fig. 2)

is less controversial. This is simply a way of telling the world, "Making love with me is like being hooked by a four-ton African herbivore." The shirt—currently popular in western Canada—shows a sexy lady riding a rhinoceros. To the untrained, it looks like a T-shirt. From the fact to the subconscious, it's a salacious, unrequited expression of one's own sexual prowess. For centuries, the horns of the rhino have been used as aphrodisiacs in parts of traditional, today it plays a similar role in places like Vietnam. As of late, the shirt has even been appropriated by adolescent teenage women, including the founders of the mid-level pornography Website Rhinoceros.com.

Continuing the subversive insight of these mid-level-sexy parents is undeniable, this is the current culture in action and it is blowing your goodness away. But a larger question remains. If a coded message is so dirty that no one can pretend it doesn't message return any power? Can society be subverted by identity doesn't even matter? Yes, Young Jerry's attention shirt has been

through to the modern posters, and it has powered the cocaine dealers across North America. But what do we make of "Men in the Downey" (fig. 4)? This shirt has quietly emerged everywhere: by League companies, gay-pride parades, the NFL, All-Star game, and the cult of downtown Keri, Oteri. But what does it mean? No one (including the author of this article) seems to know. A without a study in an open doorway, he wears a curtain (but not necessarily his). What is this man, and what does he represent? Is he opening a new door, or is he closing an old one? And why the hat? Should this be taken as a symbol of femininity? As an icon of forgotten values? Is the invisibly female as it is hopeful? Or is the Man in the Downey simply our own reflection, staring back at us in a code within a code?

You have made what you going on it.

To purchase three of the four shirts shown on page 46 (figs. 2, 3, 4, 5), visit www.tbp4men.com or call 1-800-347-3485.



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10 Things You Don't Know About Women

By SANAA LATHAN

1. Guys stop doing yourselves with fragrance. If a man is swimming in cologne, chances are he's showing not all of his better qualities.

2. Also when you see those at night don't look cool, rich or sexy. They look as if they should be holding a cane or following a dog.

3. I know it's 2006, and to be sure, when I say that women can more than hold on to their own. Nevertheless, we still live it when every so often you take a stroll without stepping on snow toes.

4. Don't go running in fear or in search of the fire extinguisher every time we start crying. Sometimes tears are a good thing. Stick around for the end result.

5. We do have a sixth sense. Women like Santa Claus. Inevitably you've been lucky, good. So you know what for Santa — for goodness' sake.

6. Women can stomach more than you think. We've seen Scarface and all these Southwestern just bloody times in my life. And you Tony Montana impressionist just might be better than yours, even if we don't do it as often.

7. Our favorite comedy technique? Mental acrobatics. The kind where we're mentally led to the point of laughter.

8. Contrary to popular belief, longer is not necessarily better. It's not talking about men here. Hell, I know an 11-foot lady. I'm talking about duration. Let's just say that if you're pushing an hour (no one intended), well, likely be stuffing a pillow.

9. Stereotypically doesn't matter that much. Big can be very plausible than average. But nope, please. (Thank about the fingers on your hands.)

10. When doubt has crept in and we've driven you to insanity, remember this. According to the Bible, "Whoso findeth a wife, findeth a good thing."

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Thank you for a thing or two (or ten) about women? To submit your own list, visit www.fox.com.

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One Thing Perfectly

Apollo Ohno is one of those guys who are famous for seventeen days at a time, twice a decade. His next seventeen days are coming, and they will be borderline insane. BY CHRIS JONES

HE FILMS THE WAITING MOSTLE WITH ROCKY. Every night, like tonight, he returns to his shared dorm room at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs (where he's now spent seven of his twenty-three years), stretches out on his floor with a carpet and works on his blades. He's a genius on ice, but in the arena of millions, he's a somewhat considerably less so. He's a life that's one part machine, one part soul.

For the first time, he's a Tupperware his life with wrenches and nuts, and next he's out on his blades, which are locked into a jig. Blades up. The blades are hand polished, bagged and bagged, the blades are seventeen inches long—as long as some plates are wide—and silver and gold. He has four pairs of blades. (They're in a bag, by the way, in his father's new house, which, as it happens, sits on Olympic View Drive, overlooking the Olympic Mountains.) Everything in Apollo Ohno's life hangs on the sharpness and balance of these blades. They are his foundation.

They are also connected to the left side of his brain, but after the morning's practice session and another blade change, he's back to his right side. By using a radar gauge that can detect flaws in the thousandths of an inch, he finds the wobble—

wherever, really, but plenty enough to keep him up at night. He works the back with a tool called a bender, crimping the blade and measuring again and again until the radar gauge tells him that all is right with his world. Then he looks his blades back to their jig and samples a square, flat, diamond-faced stone over the blades. The stone occasionally to pluck the metal with his fingertips, like a finger-popping his strings, and he is satisfied with some invisible success. Finally, he runs another, smaller stone along the sides of the blades to shave off whatever microscopic burrs his earlier work produced. At last, they are perfect.

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Flipping the pages of
a book. Who can be
bothered? Not the
author, who set out
to create the most
indolent lifestyle
money can buy.

The journey of the **AMINO control** was the history of the **Live Man**. So the device controlled remote seems the perfect and revolutionary step even if it is designed for the disabled. It me a signal always new world where you could ensure that you wanted get another episode of **Lucy and the Desperadoes** to the work. It would be so that always new coming. I had got in fact the paper note of voice that would allow my remote to differentiate between my television and my satellite receiver. When I called the help line, the service my reminded me that I needed a fully mobile person with help for setup.

I am mobile. I neither. Obviously not.

"Just across the button, you" she said.

RATING OUT OF A POSSIBLE FIVE RECLAMERS

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A black and white photograph of a bottle of Grey Goose Vodka and a martini glass. The bottle is on the right, featuring its signature label with a stylized illustration of a goose in flight over a landscape. The label text includes 'GREY GOOSE', 'VODKA', 'BOTTLED AND BOTTLED IN FRANCE', and 'IMPORTED'. To the left of the bottle is a martini glass filled with a clear liquid, garnished with a lemon twist. The background is a soft, out-of-focus light.

At ground zero, now comes the hard work of transforming design into building on the most contested sixteen-acre plot on earth. When it is completed, the 1,276-foot Freedom Tower will symbolize promise and peril to the world, but at the moment, it constitutes one of the great engineering problems of our time. The second in a series of exclusive reports.

By Scott Raab Photographs by Sasha Bezukhov

The Engineers

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• The design of the Freedom Tower is a complex task. The building will be the tallest in the world, and it will be the first to be built on a site that is so heavily contaminated. The design must take into account the fact that the site is so heavily contaminated that it will be necessary to build on a foundation that is not only strong but also able to withstand the effects of the surrounding environment. The design must also take into account the fact that the site is so heavily contaminated that it will be necessary to build on a foundation that is not only strong but also able to withstand the effects of the surrounding environment. The design must also take into account the fact that the site is so heavily contaminated that it will be necessary to build on a foundation that is not only strong but also able to withstand the effects of the surrounding environment.



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BUCKLE UP

Jeffrey Tambor (24, *Alan Cumming*, *Four Rooms*, *The Day After Tomorrow*)
admits triple-checking your harness before making a big leap.

Three *Best of the Year* and *Best of the Year* (Stuntmen by Number) and *Best of the Year* (Stuntmen by Number)
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★ Stuntman Tip No. 3: How to Jump

Chicks do the high fall, but dancers move to it then just letting go and doing your best belly flop. That's especially true when the lead singer is male. Or snoring. Or both. Drunken snugglers suggest sports like water polo and surfing as teasing tools. And sometimes you can get a sweet from Isaac Newton. To get the timing down on jumps to a moving target, start by dropping an apple as the target passes by.



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Tug's boy and Faith's husband is thirty-three million records, several movies, and a few prime-time specials into his runaway American dream. He's also a poor kid from Start, Louisiana, who wants nothing more than to someday be known as Governor McGraw. But really...

WHO THE HELL IS
Tim
McGRAW?

BY BRENDAN VAUGHAN
PHOTOGRAPH BY DANNY CLINCH

the art of buying lingerie

A Useful Service Feature*

Baby, it's bleak outside. Forget swim-suits; this is the season for indoor cheer. Presenting our first annual midwinter guide to warmth, love, and...

A Guide, with Pictures

*With special appearances by model Erin Wesson, who certainly has mastered the art of wearing lingerie

Photographs by Don Flood
Styling by Mary Alice Stephenson

Thong and High-Highs

All the leggy cheer by comparison of thrilling, first-class porting and cool sailing, but the water is enough to fresh out even the most de-limited male customer.

"So where is he?" "Where is that?" "I can't find the thing." "It's actually a good go-to item." Since most women wear thongs, some not asking her to try anything related to the last and legs.

re-sent Mary Alice Stephenson suggests "finding a smaller string that runs down her butt, which is actually more comfortable as long as the underwear isn't too tight." But's

as that like for the back, which can irritate her eye for a little ribbon or bow. For thigh highs, avoid pretties "This is accompanying and going," says Stephenson. Just be sure to get the right size. "Having and you might as well have bought her ankle warmers." Too small and you'll bare her legs into backages.

Black webbing with bow (S&B by Alexander's) Second: thong, boots (S&B by Maford)

.....
Most women will wear whatever you buy—once. If it comes out again, then you know she likes it.



.....
If you want risqué,
spend some
money. It's easier
for her to get
sexy in satin than
in polyester.

Prints

"Cheap brands just don't do animal prints well," avers Strydomstad. So if you're into the whole jungle cat thing, be prepared to pay. The fact that there is a straddle to make it appropriate for only the smaller chested you wouldn't build a bridge to get without the wires. And, please, know that some species are not to be worn. It's easy for a woman to look and feel hot in leopard print, or maybe not, but even Gisele couldn't pull off imitation. "Save the topknots for your butt and shoes," warns Strydomstad.

Leopard-print strapless bra (\$155) and panties (\$75) by Dolce & Gabbana.

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Black and nude with open back (2008) by Doreen Korte Intimates.

.....
Keep the frills in
check. Trimming,
tassels, lace,
bows. One or two
of these is great.
More is overkill.

Boy Shorts

Having the word boy in front of something doesn't necessarily make it masculine (e.g., Boy George). This piece is named more in reference to its cut, which is similar to men's boxer shorts and provides a little more modesty than a bikini. To see it up, She can suggest "looking something cutty with a little bit of it." And when you're looking for a superior with perfectly toned thighs, most boy shorts start at mid-thigh across. "Instant underbusts," according to She can wear. A bonus: Higher cuts usually mean better fit to the garter belt bottom.

Light blue cotton boy shorts with lace trim (2008) by Doreen Korte Intimates, My Intimate Secret.

Hair by Kevin Marcano
for the Kevin Marcano
Salon. Makeup by Linda
Hay for the Well Group.
Nails by Rebecca
Gardner for Art
Department.

For more information
see page 136.

William Shatner

(Actor, recording artist, author, 74, Los Angeles)

- **Success will be a template for your day.** You need to start slow and end calmly.
- **There's something to be said for the success and politeness of Canadians.** Saying thank you and being concerned with a stranger, being helpful and all that. By the same token, I would wisher Canada and my fellow Canadians to include in that politeness a kind of drive that occasionally results in a little on-licking.
- **The essence of point-hill is the fact that when you get hit by a ball full of point, it hurts just enough to say, "Ow, I gotta get out of the way," but not enough to say, "I quit."**
- **The line between making a total ass of yourself and being fundamentally funny is very narrow.**
- **I was always working.** My life, you want to know, one of the movies I was making, or the television I was doing, or the shows I was creating, or the books I was writing (I am) have been there. But I have always been totally at work, running as fast as I can. You just haven't been conscious of it. Suddenly I'm above the radar.
- **In the next six months, two shows will be coming out.** One is equally called *Shatner in Concert*, which is a concert reality show based on my album. The other one is a children's book I wrote called *I'm Working on That*. It's a scientific look at how the science of sleep, and dreams, and the self, were affected by Star Trek—though the *Star Trek* theme is very oblique. It's mostly about how I don't understand the science of today.
- **Marriage is a discussion of your life in general.** How you trust people, how you argue, how secure you are in your own thoughts. How're he really do you agree your point of view? With what do you disagree the other's point of view?
- **We meet others every day who have something to give us.** They come in the form of people with different opinions.
- **The core values of free will and destiny has always kept me dangling.** For anything in the universe follows concrete rules. The police move in predictable ways. Stars are formed within definitive parameters. Viruses mutate. From the highest to the lowest, physics shows us that everything works according to rules we can observe. The only fly in the ointment is that free will. I could go down those stars and leave right now (right in the middle of this interview), and I could do so by my own free will, the strong language suggests that it doesn't matter to observe nature's laws and I state I think I'm operating under free will. But are I? That's the dilemma. God is either in the destiny or in the free will. Unfortunately, I don't have the answer this morning.
- **Whether it's drugs or surgery or alcohol, all it takes to re-create that ultimate second moment.**
- **You have to create your life.** You have to create it, like a sculpture.
- **What I've learned about acting is that I'm constantly learning.** Playing the role of Denny Crane on *Scrubs*—that's on Tuesday nights at 10 o'clock on ABC, folks—has been a real challenge for color, for volume, for shade and nuance. The difference between a laugh and no laugh is refinement. I'm constantly asking that refinement.
- **Being as secure as ever before.** Remember, as soon as moved by a mouse.
- **Seventy-four is a far cry from 40.** I'm an old man, but I'm still pumping weight. I'm lifting fifty pounds, thirty reps, three sets. And then counts all the rest. I'm athletic, I ride down the stairs in competition, I dance—my patients are very fit as evidenced by the way when I was thirty-five. So I don't know what seventy-four means. I'm seventy-four. This is what it looks like. I'm ready to dig in and work the way go.
- **Emotion is a learned characteristic.** Some people are longer to learn it than others.
- **When I played the death of Captain Kirk,** the night he fore, out in the desert, I found myself to think of what my own meaning death would be like. There is a moment, I feel, in that magical area between consciousness and death, just at the last moment, when you say to yourself, Oh, my God, I'm really dying—and then you're out, you're dead. For me, Kirk had always lived a life of awe and wonder, those were his feelings about the universe and everything he encountered. And that's why I played those scenes the way I did. The meeting of every new alien was never marked by fear or apprehension. Rather the emotion was always one of awe, the magnificence of creation. I felt like he would go to death at this same spot. When it came time to die, I did what I did in the scene. Just as he was about to die, I had him say, "Oh my," so though he had something, and then before he could express it, he was dead. And that came out of my own hope that when any true crisis, I will look at my death with the same kind of awe and wonder. Maybe, in that instant, the secrets of the universe will be revealed to me.





The Graduate

Eighteen years ago, she dropped out of boarding school to work. Now, on the heels of a career performance in *The Producers*, she'd like to honor the good people—the Dalai, the Ali, the Quentin, the Oprah—she's learned from along the way. As told to Cal Fussman



Photographs by Cliff Watts

The Dalai Lama

The memory of meeting the Dalai Lama makes me think of my younger brother. We were living in Delhi at the time, and the trip to the Dalai Lama's residence in Dharamsala, the holy city outside Tibet, involved many buses and trains. It must have been about nine years old. At that age, you feel dragged around. At nine, one is sort of neurotically dedicated to peeing. It's a great guard against the vulnerable feeling that comes with great distances. But the trip was exciting—and it was not so much to my family. My father was the first American to be welcome in Tibet on that first month, and he teaches Indo-Tibetan studies at Columbia University. That's how I came to be named Uma Karam.

Upon meeting the Dalai Lama, a devout person prostrates. You put your hands together over your head, then in front of your face, then your throat, your heart, and then you go down and touch your head to the ground. We arrived at the residence, and people started doing this deep bow. My father prostrated, and the Dalai Lama came over to him and reached for his hands so he'd get up. Then my younger brother—he must've been about six at the time—threw himself

Dubious Achievements 2005



POLITICIANS IN HANDCUFFS, starlets in car wrecks, Sean Penn in a dinghy—even the disaster relief needed disaster relief. Clearly, a year so hellishly Dubious demands a heckuva response. Things must be tweaked! So loot some booze, grab some shingle, and make sure Grandma's just sleeping. This might take a while.

AND A NOTHER \$50 MILLION FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A GOLF COURSE CALLED "THE BEATLES"

NASA announced it will spend \$504 million on a project that will send astronauts to the moon.

ACTUALLY WRITING GONNA GO WITH "THE SPEARS"

Katie Price-Hewitt is attempting to launch a hip-hop career by recording a debut album. Among the lyrics referred for prevent was the line "black devil may call me to bed, but you can call me Daddy named."

DON'T KARE

American Idol winner Fantasia Barrino revealed in her memoir that she is functionally illiterate and had to hire her way through some script portions of the show.

ALSO, THOSE FIVE PEOPLE YOU MEET IN HEAVEN? MORE LIKE TWO

Devon Pryor Press sports writer Brian Albrecht wrote a column fabricating a description of former Michigan State players watching their alma mater's NCAA tournament game in the clouds. Albrecht listed the colors he saw the players wore and their jersey numbers to the game.

SHE LATER ADDED, "AND WHEN I HAVE TO GO TO GET A RECEIPT, I LOSE IT. THEN I'M DRIVING AROUND HERE!"

Speaking to a group of even stars in Mississippi on September 3, Laura Bush twice referred to the hurricane that had destroyed their community as "Cassius."

MAY IT BE THE BLOOD ON HER HANDS?

USA Today revealed a photo of Canadian actor Ryan Reynolds with one hand that had digitally altered after receiving comments that the altered picture made the secretary of state look demonic.

THEN THE AGENT SAYS, "THAT'S A BELL OF AN ACT. WHAT DO YOU CALL IT?"

A Pennsylvania woman was arrested on charges that she had her pregnant neighbor over the head with a baseball bat, drove her to a hospital and, while she was in labor, told her to get up and walk with a nurse while in an attempt to stall her labor.

HIS SUPERPOWER WILL BE IMPROVISEDNESS TO GETTING LAD

Wooden cups named for the 1944-45, after the birth name of Superman.

SIMPSON OF THE YEAR

As a McDonald's in Toronto, manager Jubilee Simpson, wearing a check, declined to serve the customer and said to another, "This, it will not take a picture with you. You would not like my fast food." "You would not like my fast food."

THAT CAN'T BE RIGHT, SURELY SOMEONE WOULD'VE NOTICED IF THEY'D CANCELED AN ENTIRE SEASON

The NFL responded for insurance after canceling the entire 2004-05 season due to lockout.

WHICH MEANS WHAT—BRING AN UMBRELLA OR DON'T BRING AN UMBRELLA?

Las Vegas TV weatherman Rob Bell referred to Martin Luther King Jr. "during a broadcast."

SERIOUSLY, WHAT IS THIS "ME" YOU KEEP TALKING ABOUT?

New Jersey assemblyman Craig Stanley introduced a resolution to change the name of the New Jersey Devils NHL team. "The paraphernalia is based on a second-degree dwarf," Stanley, a Baptist deacon, and "Personally, it causes a little bit of an issue with me."

SHE SAID THE SAME THING WHEN SHE TALKED TO ANDERSON COOPER

In an interview with WNBA player Sheryl Swoopes shortly after two open cases on a lesbian, CNN's Ryan Phillippe said, "You're beautiful, you're smart. So what if you're gay?"

When he scored a touchdown, he said, "When a spouse is in a car window, you did not see it." "When he climbed into the car with us, we noticed."

WHERE WILL THE KING TURN UP NEXT? (Wait, the king is not a king.)



The most ubiquitous

"YOU'RE A FISH BOMB! YOU'RE A FISH BOMB!" —KARL LAGERFELD
"WHAT KAREN WEST WAS SAYING, DON'T KNOW. WAS IT 'LOVE' OR 'FROM'?" —MICHAEL

GEORGE W. BUSH'S TOP 10 FAVORITE BLACK PEOPLE

1. COLE
2. COLIN POWELL
3. HUGO BOSS
4. HUGO BOSS
5. HUGO BOSS
6. HUGO BOSS
7. HUGO BOSS
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10. HUGO BOSS

WHEN OBVIOUSLY IT WAS MARTIN LUTHER KING'S FAULT

Rent Street, a exclusive men's magazine in Tokyo's KITE TV, hired a Japanese actress to pose in the Japanese police.

THEY KNOW THEY'RE NOT REALLY VIRGINS, RIGHT?

On a boat cruise on Lake Michigan, during a day work in their schedule, several Minnesota Vikings players allegedly engaged in public sex acts with each other passengers, aggressively propositioned in male crew members for sex, and admitted on a local resident's boat.

HIS CHLAMYDIA NAME WAS FRANK GONTHALIA

A lawsuit filed by a sex lover of Atlanta Atlanta quarterback Michael Vick claims that he frequently uses the name "Frank Gonthalia" for the purpose of herpes testing and treatment.

AHO ZERO EGGS

Burglar King defamed the Burger King brand, which caused a lawsuit, which caused a lawsuit, which caused a lawsuit.

NOW ARRIVING... ON HELL'S RED CARPET



From left: Penelope Cruz, Dakota Fanning, a group of people, a group of people, and Henry Cavill.



...yet I was appearing.

WHY IS THIS MAN STILL SINGING?

It's a long story. The man in the photo is a member of the "The House of the Future" group, which is known for its singing and dancing. He is a member of the "The House of the Future" group, which is known for its singing and dancing.

HEY WOODWARD, YOU DONE WITH THAT CODE NAME?

James Woodward, a member of the "The House of the Future" group, is known for its singing and dancing. He is a member of the "The House of the Future" group, which is known for its singing and dancing.

IS THERE ANYTHING CRYSTAL METH CANT DO?

Crystal Meth, who was born in the United States, is known for its singing and dancing. She is a member of the "The House of the Future" group, which is known for its singing and dancing.

WELL, IT WORKED FOR MACHU MATI

Two former executives for Machu Mat, a company that sells clothing, are known for their singing and dancing. They are a member of the "The House of the Future" group, which is known for its singing and dancing.

ACTUALLY, IT WAS HIM TO DO LIST

A list of names, including James Woodward, is known for its singing and dancing. It is a member of the "The House of the Future" group, which is known for its singing and dancing.

AHO ANEXCERATED AMALGAMATION OF GOLD DIGGING

Gold diggers, including James Woodward, are known for their singing and dancing. They are a member of the "The House of the Future" group, which is known for its singing and dancing.

Naval Officer of the Year

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DEAR BIOLOGY LETTERS, I WAS JUST SITTING ON THE BED WITH MY IDENTICAL TWIN SISTER, COMPARING

Our identical twin sister, who is known for her singing and dancing, is a member of the "The House of the Future" group, which is known for its singing and dancing.

IT WAS AN ALLEGORY, IMPERIAL ASSAULT

A story about a man, who is known for his singing and dancing, is a member of the "The House of the Future" group, which is known for its singing and dancing.

NAKED FILE

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OH YEAH, AND A CAR WASH FIVE NINER GIVE

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INTERESTING CHOICE, BUT WE MIGHT HAVE

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THAT SATZINGER HAS HIS HAND IN EVERYTHING

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THIRTY-IF YOU CAN GET HIM TO KEEP QUIET ABOUT THE "SEVEN-SEVEN HUNT"

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IN OTHER MORTALLY DISABLED BASEBALL PLAYER NEWS

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YOU KNOW FRANK'S BROTHER

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On Faith

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On Hope

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On Charity

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On Justice

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On Providence

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AND YET ATTENDANCE IS UP AMONG MEN IN TO 35

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THOUGH IT'S STILL FAR OUTNUMBERED BY THE "JESUS, FUCKIN' MESSIAH"

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THE POOR GUY ACTUALLY PUNISHED IT TO TRY HIS HEATING GILL
Thinking it was a gift, Russian president Vladimir Putin pocketed Robert Kubitz's 2004 Super Bowl ring after the New England Patriots owner took it to show it to him.

I'M TELLING YOU, I LOVE THIS DOESN'T MAKE THEM WANT TO PLAY TEXAS HOLD 'EM, I DON'T KNOW WHAT WILL
Online casino-Golubev Police paid \$50,000 for a pregnancy test supposedly used by Britney Spears. The case no longer held the test from an *Onion* radio station that claimed to have acquired it from a man who found it under music producer's hotel room.

WELL, OUR NEXT THOUSAND OR SO YEARS ARE COMING TOGETHER QUITE NICELY
U.S. representative Thom Luken suggested banishing Hillary's body into the house tomorrow after the United States again.

WE'LL STICK WITH DRINKING PILOT GUILTY IN AMERICA WEST
Ryerson, Kasper's biggest business partner, plans to start official law-fight campaign as early as 2007. The company's CEO suggested that the possible release could eventually be used with the need to charge for airfare.

IT SOUNDS PUNNING IN AFRICANS
After being kidnapped during his trip for his show on Comedy Central and returning to South Africa, comedian Dave Chappelle said, "I want to make sure I'm dancing and not shaking."

FINALLY, A SEXTAPE THAT DOESN'T HAVE PARIS HILTON
While not stripping the alleged kidnapping of *Girls Gone Wild* founder Joe Francis by a Las Vegas man, police said it is a red-emptive in which Francis is forced to let her down on a mattress and say, "I'm from *Girls Gone Wild* and I like it up the ass."

AWKWARD MOMENTS OF THE YEAR



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The alleged pregnancy, Donald Trump, was arrested after Paris Hilton, who reports she is married to *Brady's* son-in-law, was one of his associates at a party, allegedly told police.

SO GOD KNOWS ALL ALONG
Thirty-year police officer first murder, BTK killer and

former top house leader Dennis Rodman was arrested when a computer disk from one of the evidence packages he was to be made was found to be a church.

SURE, THEY'RE REPRESENTABLE, BUT THEY DO A GREAT COVER OF THE 'WU-TANG CLAM'S' 'SHAME ON A NIGGA'
Playing together under the name Prisoners Five, 13-year-old twin sisters Leah and Ryan Drake inspired and released a music video showcasing a mixture of white supremacy. Among the duo is a rap in "Secrets," a tribute to Roddy Ricch.



"LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, PLEASE BEGE AS RUSSIAN BLUE SINGS THE NATIONAL ANTHEM."
The *Shannon* Astron became the first baseball player in more than 80 years to make it to the World Series with an African American player on its roster.

IF HE'S NOT CAREFUL, HE'S GOING TO LOSE HIS REPUTATION
After Russell Crowe pleaded guilty to third-degree sexual assault on his wife, he was charged with a rape in a hotel employee, leaving him the face.

PLUS, IT WOULD LEAVE THE ASTROS WIDE OPEN FOR ANOTHER SHOT AT THE TITLE
Colin Kinnaird said to show, former chief executive secretary William Bennett told a media, "If you want to reduce crime, you could—if that were your sole purpose—you could shoot every black baby in this country and your crime rate would go down."

AND HE WOULD BE GOTTEN AWAY WITH IT IF IT HADN'T BEEN FOR THAT MEXICAN PARIS HILTON
California congresswoman Nancy Pelosi's campaign donated guilty to bribery and two women charges, admitting that he said he has to be a defense attorney for an unpaid price and lived rent-free on the owner's yacht. She was charged for having a defense attorney.

'CAUSE THE BEST WAY TO A LIBERAL'S BRAIN IS THROUGH HIS FUNNY BO
The silly new faces the police-covered protesters in response to criticism of the secretary's treatment of prisoners at Guantanamo Bay, conservative bloggers from Democratic party included The *Obama* Cookbook, which included recipes from the facility.

SOMEWHERE IN THE DEPTHS OF L.A., A CRIME HAS BEEN COMMITTED.
And if that crime involved KIMBERLY ROBERT... Perpetrated against a PORNSTAR WIFE, she used to DATE... And was later haunted about a SMART PARTY... Then watch out. Because this path is the SAME.



THOUGH "HERRMONE, YOU COCK-HUNGRY HUNK" WAS OUT
Henry Porter and the *Andy* Bond, the series' co-creator, said the popular child actress, including the woman, looking up, and saying.

I AM TALKING HER, NOTHING IS HAPPENING I DON'T GET IT
Paul McCartney's wife, Heather, lost her prosthetic leg in a car accident with security guards after she tried to deliver an article to the office of Jonathan Langer.

AND LATER, IF THEY DO MULL "INTRODUCTION TO CONSTITUTIONAL LAW"
George W. Bush ordered all White House visitors to take a course to reduce.

WHICH IS STILL LESS DIFFICULT THAN "SEACREST, OUT"
Not even that the tape was still rolling when he finished.

A LOCAL NEWS INTERVIEW, "TOMAS" announced Rick Perry added, "Adrian, public."

Silky Tongue of the Year
"GET ANOTHER WOMAN FIRST, LINGER LOTS OF IT, TRY TO SOME CORE," *THE I OWN* has a special for contentable man.

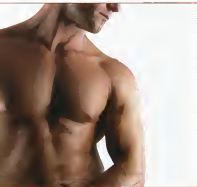


I PROMISED MYSELF I WOULD LACTATE. DARNIT, BARBARA, YOU KNOW JUST WHAT BUTTONS TO PRESS
About 500 members staged a "nurse-in" at ABC headquarters after Barbara Walters made a negative comment on the View about public breast-feeding.

YOU REMEMBER... VINCENT GALLI... HE DID THAT MOVIE WITH THE BLIND JOB, AND THAT OTHER ONE WITH THE THING... YOU KNOW, HE'S GOT THE GREASY MAN, AND... NO, GALLI, VINCENT GALLI... HE'S A CELEBRITY
On his website, Brown Family director Vincent Gallo offered to sell his sperm to women seeking to conceive themselves by vitro fertilization for a fee of \$1 million. Gallo said he would screen the women before for an additional \$500,000 but would never be asked for for women who were attractive enough.

New "Legal" Performance Pill Hits Market

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In a remarkable turn of events, arguably one of the strangest in the history of athletic performance, as efficient of research directed to help victims of muscle atrophy has now become an underground cult phenomenon among bodybuilders, weight-class athletes and, strangely enough, much potteries from the "boomtown" generation. And, if consumer sales are any indication of a product's effectiveness, Endothel[™] CR is nothing short of a miracle. Body professional athletes and weekend warriors are buying as much Endothel[™] CR (topically after the bar on steroids and steroid precursors) that finding

a box has become just about impossible. But everyone goes gaga? Well... not really.

Scientific Breakthrough or Dumb Luck?

Although Endothel[™] CR's functional component was already backed by clinical study demonstrating its ability to impact the proper development of muscle and strength programs, the success of Endothel[™] CR is a bodybuilding product was "dumb luck," says Louis Rinaldi, spokesperson for Novex Biotech, the compound's developer.

"When research was first published on the compound's ability to help rebuild muscular muscle tissue, trainers (believe

it or not, a lot of athletic trainers are physical therapists who help get muscle victims back in shape) began suggesting the compound's muscle and strength-building attributes could be a safe replacement for the most controversial performance enhancers (which are currently targets of Congressional investigation)," says Rinaldi. "As these cutting-edge trainers began recommending the compound to their competitive clients, they began to receive feedback like, 'I can't believe how much it helps my muscle and strength program' and 'I never experienced anything like this'."

Dr. Daniel B. Hootney, Ph.D., Novex Biotech's Director of Scientific Affairs, says, "Clearly, people were seeing results, but we didn't have a scientific explanation as to why this muscle size and strength aspect was occurring. However, based on the incredibly positive reports, it is impossible to just ignore the effectiveness of Endothel[™] CR."

Dumb Luck Strikes Again?

Then, in 2003, the results of an independent study of 31 fit males was released. During a double-blind, 6-week bodybuilding study, the active compound in Endothel[™] CR increased upper body strength by 100% and lower body strength by 260% after concentration exercise (as measured by the amount of weight participants could bench press and leg press). And biopsy data demonstrated increased creatine levels—more than a four-fold increase in creatine levels almost on par with the placebo group (who were on the same bodybuilding program).

Since the study's release in December of 2003, researchers have been seeking a natural source for the active Endothel[™] CR compound. Finally, Novex Biotech discovered that, of all things, an extract of a special strain of green tea extract could provide the active compound in the precise amount needed.

Who would have thought a compound developed to help people overcome muscle atrophy would go beyond nitric oxide, beyond so-called "precursors," to become the bodybuilding breakthrough of the decade?

This discovery led to Endothel[™] CR, a unique and proven method for muscle size and strength beyond what is acquired through the normal recruitment and differentiation of progressive muscle cells. Finally, a way to meet your bodybuilding program for muscle and strength without steroids or steroid-like precursors.

But Is Endothel[™] CR Illegal?

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So, What's the Catch?

To experience the full benefits of Endothel[™] CR, you'll have to completely alter your workout routine. You can no longer do generalized, full-body workouts... you'll have to focus on a single, specific muscle group and exercise that muscle group to exhaustion. "Because exercise is exhaustion exercise," says Rinaldi, "Endothel[™] CR helps your body by increasing the recruitment of progressive muscle cells to repair (and) transmutate muscle mass. The result? An increase in both upper and lower body (whether you use your previous) muscle size and circumference... and increased strength."

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Having a hard time finding Endothel[™] CR?

If you've been searching for Endothel[™] CR, you already know it's become almost impossible to find. This tiny little tablet has created "crazy" noise. Try your local GNC retailer (they always seem to keep it in stock), or try contacting Novex Biotech directly at 1-800-235-9175, or e-mail us at: www.Endothel.com. The best last is to call Novex Biotech[™] at 1-800-235-9175, or e-mail us at: www.Endothel.com. The best last is to call Novex Biotech[™] at 1-800-235-9175, or e-mail us at: www.Endothel.com.

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